

MINUTES

**MONTANA SENATE
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: Chairman Gregory D. Barkus, on April 2, 2009 at
3:00 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Gregory D. Barkus, Chairman (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila (D)

Members Excused:

Sen. John Brenden, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Trudi Schmidt (D)
Sen. Jim Shockley (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Lindsey Hern, Committee Secretary
Hope Stockwell, Legislative Branch

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 42, 3/26/2009; HB 585, 3/19/2009

Executive Action: HB 42; HB 585

HEARING ON HB 42

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:48 Rep. Chas Vincent (R), HD 2, opened the hearing on HB 42, Forest management program for FWP land.

[EXHIBIT\(fis73a01\)](#)

00:01:21 Sen. Shockley came to the committee.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:02:44 Chris Smith, Deputy Directory, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fis73a02\)](#)

00:03:53 Steve Flynn, Resource Manager, Sun Mountain Lumber; Montana Wood Production Association

[EXHIBIT\(fis73a03\)](#)

00:06:44 Richard Grady, Self

00:09:36 Don Allen, Western Environmental Trade Association (WETA)

00:11:30 Robert Johnson, Montana State AFL-CIO

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:12:06 Sen. Shockley

00:12:25 Mr. Smith, FWP

00:13:17 Chairman Barkus

00:13:55 Mr. Smith, FWP

00:14:00 Sen. Barrett came to the committee.

00:14:35 Chairman Barkus

00:14:41 Mr. Smith, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:18 Rep. Vincent

HEARING ON HB 585

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:16:32 Rep. Edith (Edie) McClafferty (D), HD 75, opened the hearing on HB 585, Implement PL/PW recommendations: "Come Home to Hunt" pilot project.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:19:45 John Ward, Private Lands Public Wildlife (PL/PW)
00:22:52 Donna McDonald, PL/PW
00:23:53 Jean Johnson, Montana Outfitters and Guides Association (MOGA)

EXHIBIT(fis73a04)

00:26:11 Mr. Smith, FWP

EXHIBIT(fis73a05)

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:26:54 Sen. Balyeat
00:27:51 Ms. Johnson, MOGA
00:28:08 Sen. Balyeat
00:28:09 Ms. Johnson, MOGA
00:28:22 Sen. Balyeat
00:28:27 Ms. Johnson, MOGA
00:28:32 Sen. Barrett
00:29:27 Mr. Smith, FWP
00:30:36 Sen. Barrett
00:30:39 Sen. Balyeat
00:30:59 Mr. Smith, FWP
00:31:14 Sen. Balyeat
00:31:24 Mr. Smith, FWP
00:31:33 Hank Worsch, License Bureau Chief, FWP
00:32:06 Sen. Balyeat
00:32:15 Mr. Worsch, FWP
00:32:24 Sen. Balyeat
00:32:43 Mr. Worsch, FWP
00:32:57 Chairman Barkus
00:33:41 Allen Charles, FWP

00:34:31 Chairman Barkus
 00:34:38 Mr. Charles, FWP
 00:34:40 Chairman Barkus
 00:34:50 Mr. Charles, FWP
 00:35:15 Sen. Shockley
 00:35:21 Chairman Barkus
 00:35:28 Mr. Charles, FWP
 00:35:55 Chairman Barkus
 00:36:04 Sen. Balyeat
 00:36:28 Mr. Smith, FWP
 00:37:08 Chairman Barkus
 00:37:15 Mr. Smith, FWP
 00:37:28 Sen. Balyeat
 00:38:01 Mr. Smith, FWP
 00:38:35 Sen. Balyeat
 00:38:47 Chairman Barkus
 00:38:50 Mr. Smith, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

00:39:05 Rep. McClafferty
 00:40:10 Recess

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 42

00:46:14 **Motion:** Sen. Tropila moved that **HB 42 BE CONCURRED IN.**
 00:46:28 **Motion:** Sen. Gallus moved that **HB 42 BE AMENDED.**
 (Exhibit 1)

Discussion:

00:46:43 Chairman Barkus
 00:46:48 Hope Stockwell, Legislative Service Division (LSD)
 00:48:04 Sen. Barrett
 00:48:33 Mr. Smith, FWP
 00:49:59 **Vote:** Motion that **HB 42 BE AMENDED** carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden and Sen. Schmidt voted by proxy.
 00:50:21 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Tropila moved that **HB 42 BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden and Sen. Schmidt voted by proxy. Sen. Balyeat will carry the bill in the Senate.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 585

00:51:14 **Motion:** Sen. Tropila moved that **HB 585 BE CONCURRED IN.**

00:51:27 **Motion:** Sen. Gallus moved that **HB 585 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED.** Change to be made on Page 2, Line 12, Subsection 4, strike "a" insert "the" after "course", insert "established in 87-2 105 (4)".

Discussion:

00:52:01 Hope Stockwell
00:52:23 Sen. Balyeat
00:53:21 Sen. Barrett
00:53:40 Sen. Barkus
00:53:46 Sen. Shockley
00:53:55 Sen. Gallus
00:54:19 Chairman Barkus

00:54:39 **Vote:** Motion that **HB 585 BE CONCEPTUALLY AMENDED** failed 1-8 by voice vote with Sen. Barkus voting aye. Sen. Brenden and Sen. Schmidt voted by proxy.

00:55:19 **Vote:** Motion that **HB 585 BE CONCURRED IN** carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Brenden and Sen. Schmidt voted by proxy. Sen. Barkus will carry the bill in the Senate.

Discussion:

00:56:09 Sen. Shockley
00:56:27 Sen. Tropila
00:56:31 Sen. Balyeat
00:56:48 Mr. Smith, FWP
00:57:02 Sen. Barrett
00:57:13 Mr. Smith, FWP
00:57:38 Chairman Barkus

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:00 P.M.

Lindsey Hern, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([fis73aad.pdf](#))